# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (LA County CRC) CRC MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING – May 26, 2021 VIA ZOOM VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

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## **Agenda**

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

## 2. ROLL CALL

Thai V. Le, County of Los Angeles Citizens Redistricting Commission (LA County CRC) Clerk, took roll call with the following Commissioners present:

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Excused	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Excused/Late	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Yes	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Excused	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong

A quorum is present.

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was accepted.

## 4. PUBLIC COMMENT—GENERAL

This is the time for public comment on matters not on the agenda. Pursuant to state law, the Commission may not discuss or act on issues not on the meeting agenda, except members of the Commission or staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed. Staff may be asked to follow up on such items.

**Public speaker comment:** There were no public comments.

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Public written comment: There were no public written comments submitted.

#### 5. CONSENT ITEMS

Items listed under the consent calendar are considered by the LA County CRC Executive Director to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion unless a Commissioner requests otherwise, in which case the item will be removed for separate consideration.

The Commissioners discussed the minutes for the May 12, 2021, LA County CRC meeting. Commissioner Holtzman requested that additional information be provided about the general public comment made by Terri Tippit, Chair, Westside Neighborhood Council (NC) in the City of Los Angeles since she provided their recommendations regarding where to draw the lines for their supervisorial district. The minutes will be updated and resubmitted at the next regular meeting.

The Commissioners discussed the minutes for the May 19, 2021, LA County CRC special meeting. The Commissioners made a motion and approved the minutes.

Motion Made:	Commissioner Stecher
Motion Seconded:	Co-Chair Williams
Outcome:	Approved

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Yes	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Abstain	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
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## 6. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Co-Chair Mayeda introduced the Agenda Items.

## 6A. COMMISSIONER MARK MENDOZA, LEADER, EDUCATION - CO-CHAIR DAN MAYEDA

Commissioner Mendoza introduced a panel of representatives involved with the 2011 Los Angeles County Boundary Review Committee (BRC) to share their experiences and lessons learned. The panelists were:

 Steve Napolitano, former BCR Committee Alternate; currently City Council Member, City of Manhattan Beach, CA

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- Martin Zimmerman, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, serving as BCR Executive Director (now retired)
- Mark Greninger, GIS Manager, Mapping & GIS Services, Los Angeles County Public Works
- Nick Franchino, GIS Manager, Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

Commissioners Saira Soto and Mendoza asked the panelists questions and then opened up the floor for other Commissioners to ask questions. The full panel discussion is available on YouTube: https://youtu.be/oyil3dH0LFs

## **6B. UPDATES FROM AD HOC WORKING GROUPS**

## 6Bi. Commissioner Mark Mendoza, Leader, Education – Co-Chair Dan Mayeda

Commissioner Mendoza indicated that his Ad Hoc Work Group has been receiving input from other Commissioners regarding what other topics they would like to have addressed.

**Public speaker comments:** There were no public comments.

## 6Bii. Commissioner Apolonio Morales, Leader, Ad Hoc Working Group on Public Outreach – Co-Chair Williams

Commissioner Morales gave a brief overview about the upcoming 10 public hearings dates, asking Commissioners to attend at least 7 of the 10 public hearings to ensure a quorum.

He also explained that the LA County CRC volunteer liaisons for inquiries regarding presentations, interviews, queries, etc. He asked Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, LA County CRC Executive Director, to elaborate further.

At the June 9<sup>th</sup> LA County CRC regular meeting, Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough will focus on the public hearing details. Here are some highlights of what she covered at this regular meeting:

- She pointed out that attendance at the public hearings is important to achieve a quorum. If a quorum isn't present, the public hearing would have to cancelled. If a Commissioner cannot attend, he/she/they will have to obtain an excused absence from the Co-Chairs.
- She also clarified that the public hearing in Spanish will have translators for the English-speaking only Commissioners and attendees.
- She still does not know when the timing for in-person meetings will begin. She's waiting to hear if the Governor's Executive Order for virtual meetings is going to be extended to July 15, 2021. In the meantime, she's working with the Executive Office to identify sites.





 The materials for the outreach toolkit are in the process of being translated into the County's 12 threshold languages for posting on the LA County CRC website and distribution to media, cities, community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, etc.

**Public speaker comments:** Karen Diaz asked for the list of dates for the public hearings. Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough provided them on the screen:

In Order of Dates		General Area	
Mon, Jun 14 Zone A		Santa Clarita	
Mon, Jun 28	Zone E	South LA/Compton	
Tue, Jul 20	Zone C	San Fernando Valley	
Wed, Jun 23	Zone D	Pasadena/Burbank/La Canada	
Wed, Jul 14	Zone I	SE LA/Gateway Cities	
Wed, Jul 28	Zone F	East LA/Whittier	
Wed, Aug 11	Zone G	San Gabriel Valley	
Thu, Aug 19	Zone H	Westside/Seaside	
Sun, Aug 22	Zone B	Antelope Valley	
Sat, Aug 7	Spanish	Countywide	

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough also pointed out that the same links will be used for the public hearings as the LA County CRC regular meetings to avoid any confusion with the public.

<u>6Biii. Commissioner David Holtzman, Leader, Legislation and Updates on Other Redistricting Commissions – Co-Chair Dan Mayeda</u>

Commissioner Mary Kenney has joined the Ad Hoc Working Group





Michigan (an independent statewide commission) has been conducting public hearings around the state, receiving in-person comments about communities of interest (including simply "farming," or "manufacturing"). Michigan gives out numbers to attendees who sign in; the numbers determine the order of speakers. Michigan lets the people attending in person speak first, followed by individuals online. They have so far received few comments from people online. It looks like most commissioners are in-person at each hearing, pandemic-distanced, and wearing masks, while a couple of commissioners attend online.

The County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission (COSD IRC) has scheduled a virtual education tour by district during the month of June 2021. Residents can attend any session, however.

We are waiting for the COSD IRC's suggested amendments to Senate Bill 594. We expect those amendments, if passed, would delay both commissions' map adoption deadline to somewhere in the range of January 15 to January 31, 2022, inclusive. July 14, 2021, is the last date that Assembly policy committees can hear bills this year. The two CRCs will need to communicate suggested amendments to the Legislature well before then.

The Statewide Database expects to release the "official redistricting dataset," including the mandated reallocation of incarcerated persons, on September 23, 2020.

**Public speaker comments:** There were no public comments.

#### 7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

## 8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was none.

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

Co-Chair Mayeda adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

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